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SUBJECT: GUNDELACH REPORTS ON HIS VISIT TO THE U.S.

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1. EC COMMISSIONER FINN GUNDELACH BRIEFED THE PRESS, JULY 3, REGARDING HIS RECENT VISIT TO THE U.S. GUNDELACH EMPHASIZED THE U.S. DESIRE TO GIVE STANDARDS PRIORITY IN THE MTN. THE U.S., HE SAID, REALIZES THAT THE COMMUNITY IS MAKING SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN DEVELOPING STANDARDS. IT WISHES TO BECOME, GUNDELACH SAID, SOMETHING LIKE A "TENTH MEMBER STATE" -- I. E., HAVE A ACTIVE VOICE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS. GUNDELACH SAID THAT IN PRINCIPLE HE AGREED -- SO LONG AS THE PROCESS OF REMOVING NTBSS IS RECIPROCAL.

2. GUNDELACH SAID THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO SET PRIORITIES IN THE MTNS. FOR EXAMPLE, OF THE 800 OR SO NTBS THAT HAVE BEEN INVENTORIED, ONLY 60-150 ARE SIGNIFICANT.

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3. THE HAM AND FLOAT GLASS CASES, HE SAID, ARE
NOT YET CRITICAL, BUT COULD CAUSE TROUBLE IN THE FUTURE.

4. GUNDELACH RETURNED FROM HIS VISIT CONVINCED THAT
U.S. EXPORTS ARE NOW MORE COMPETITIVE, AND THAT THE
U.S. WILL MAKE A MAJOR EFFORT TO INCREASE ITS EXPORTS,
ESPECIALLY TO EUROPE AND JAPAN. THE ONLY RESPONSE FOR
EUROPE, ACCORDING TO GUNDELACH, IS TO MEET THE CHALLENGE.
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